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June 24, 2014

Re: Manager's Amendment to H.R. 6, the Domestic Prosperity  
and Global Freedom Act

The Center for Liquefied Natural Gas (CLNG) applauds the House of Representative's effort to bring regulatory certainty to the permitting process regarding LNG export applications by the Department of Energy (DOE). CLNG supports the bipartisan Manager's Amendment<sup>1</sup> to H.R. 6, sponsored by the Honorable Cory Gardner (CO) and the Honorable Gene Green (TX), which provides for an imposition of a decision deadline on DOE, but does not otherwise interfere with the permitting process established by DOE.

The amendment does not alter the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process or the manner in which DOE considers the applications to export LNG. The amendment merely sets a deadline on DOE to make its decision after the NEPA process is concluded.

With growing bipartisan and bicameral support, the right policies can be put in place so that our wealth of natural gas can benefit the American people, the U.S. trade balance, U.S. foreign policy and the energy security of our trading partners around the world, all without harming American consumers, businesses, or industries.

CLNG urges the House to vote for the Manager's Amendment to H.R. 6 and to vote for the underlying legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Cooper", is written over a horizontal line.

Bill Cooper  
President

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<sup>1</sup> The Manager's Amendment to H.R. 6 "strikes the subsection requiring a 90 day decision deadline and replace[s] it with a 30 day decision deadline requiring DOE to issue a final decision on applications to export LNG following the conclusion of the NEPA environmental review of the LNG facilities. For the purposes of the 30 day decision deadline, the NEPA review would be considered concluded: for a project requiring an Environmental Impact Statement, 30 days after publication of a Final Environmental Impact Statement; for a project for which an Environmental Assessment has been prepared, 30 days after publication by DOE of a Finding of No Significant Impact; and upon determination by the lead agency that an application is eligible for a Categorical Exclusion pursuant to NEPA." (Rules Committee Summary)